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May 5, 2015

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Subject:

**Designation of Environmental Certifying Official** 

Reference:

Federal-aid Project Number:

STPE 1899 (28)

Federal-aid Project Name:

Sidewalks II - Butte

MDT Uniform Project Number:

8575

This is notify you that Karen Byrnes, Director, Office of Community Development, Butte-Silver Bow Local Government, is designated by Council Resolution No. 04-34, as the Environmental Certifying Official responsible for all activities associated with the environmental review process to be completed in conjunction with the development of the approved transportation project referenced.

Matt Vincent, Butte-Silver Bow County Chief Executive



## **BUTTE-SILVER BOW** COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 155 WEST GRANITE STREET, COURTHOUSE BUTTE, MONTANA 59701

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Categorical Exclusion Group (c) Action Letter

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This is a request for the Montana Department of Transportation concurrence that the proposed project study will not involve unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). It therefore qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(c), parts 3 and 15. The proposed action also qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (MCA Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201).

In accordance with FHWA's letter (3/29/99) to MDT's Environmental Services, please notify FHWA that the proposed action is being processed in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(c).

Concur:		
	Environmental Engineering Section Supervisor	Date

Cc:

Jeff Ebert, MDT, Butte District Administrator

Ryan Dahlke, MDT, Consultant Design Engineer

Tom Martin, MDT, Bureau Chief - Environmental Services Bureau

Lisa Hurley, MDT, Fiscal Planning Administrator

Legislature, EQC

Jeff Patten, FHWA - Helena

Tom Erving, MDT, Fiscal Planning

Heidy Bruner, MDT, Environmental Engineering Section, Supervisor Barry Brosten, MDT, Environmental Engineering Section - Butte District

Jon Sesso, BSB Planning Director

Lori Casey, BSB Assistant Planning Director Nick Sandford, BSB Road Department Engineer

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST**

Project Name and Project Number: Sidewalks II-Butte - STPE 1899 (28)

**UPN:**8575

Area of Statutory-Regulatory Compliance  (Provide precise citations for applicable statutes and regulations at the end of this Checklist.)		N/A	Review Required*	Permits Required*	Conditions and/or Mitigation Actions Required*	Note and Attach Documentation	
1.	Historic Properties (SHPO)	$\boxtimes$					
2.	Floodplain Management (County)	$\boxtimes$					
3.	Wetlands Protection (COE)	$\boxtimes$					
4.	Noise (DEQ)	$\boxtimes$					
5.	Air Quality (DEQ)	$\boxtimes$					
6.	. Manmade Hazards						
	Abandoned Underground Storage Tanks	$\boxtimes$					
	Leaking Underground Storage Tanks	$\boxtimes$					
	Possible Hazardous Waste Sites	$\boxtimes$					
	Airport Clear Zones	$\boxtimes$					
7.	7. Water Quality (DEQ or EPA for reservation projects)						
	Surface Water/Water Quality	$\boxtimes$					
	Groundwater & Aquifers <sup>1</sup>	$\boxtimes$					
8.	Farmlands	$\boxtimes$					
9.	Environmental Justice	$\boxtimes$					
10.	Threatened or Endangered Species, Fish & Wildlife (USF&WS)	$\boxtimes$					

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11.	Biological Resources- Habitat containing sensitive species; either nesting, foraging, or inhabiting (MDFW&P/MSL)	$\boxtimes$						
12.	Is there substantial, local, regional or other controversy on environmental grounds?	$\boxtimes$						
13.	Section 4(f) – Would project change use of park, recreation area, wildlife refuge, or waterfowl refuge (23 <i>CFR</i> 771.135)?	$\boxtimes$						
14.	Section 6(f) – Would project change use of protected properties acquired or developed with Land and Water Conservation Funds administered by the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks?	$\boxtimes$						
15.	List other agencies contacted.	$\boxtimes$						
*Atta	*Attach evidence that required actions have been taken.							
<sup>1</sup> Including the Missoula Sole Source Aquifer; contact the CTEP Section for further information regarding Missoula area projects.								
Certification  I certify that the findings on the proceeding Environmental Checklist accurately reflect the status of compliance with applicable laws and regulations for the proposed transportation project.								
Signature Signature								
Karen Byrnes, Director of Community Development, Butte-Silver Bow Local Government								
Type Name and Title of Environmental Certifying Official								
5-5-15								
Date								